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THIS WEEK AT TRINITY January 27 & 28, 2018

~Fourth Sunday After Epiphany ~

Sunday	8 & 10:30am	Worship Services with Communion <i>New Member Recognition at the 10:30 Service!</i>
	9:30am	Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes <i>Brief Voters' Meeting will be held during part of Bible Class.</i> Fellowship Hall – Pastor Rinderknecht – “Lord, Teach Us to Pray!” Classroom by the Sanctuary – Pastor Keinath - Sunday School for Parents
	1:00pm	Financial Peace Reunion/Checkup – at TYM Square
	7:00pm	New Financial Peace Session begins – in the Classroom by the Sanctuary
Tuesday	6:00am	Men's Bible Study – at TYM Square
	9:00am	Quilting
	7:00pm	Ladies' Small Group – at TYM Square Lay Ministry Board Meeting
Wednesday	8:30am	Chapel at Trinity School
	6:30pm	FIRE Youth Group 1 st -Year Confirmation Class
Thursday	10:30am	Bible Class
	7:00pm	Adult Choir Practice
Saturday	5:00pm	Worship Service with Communion

Knowing Christ and Making Him Known

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are presented in praise and glory to God by Trinity's Altar Guild as they celebrate the opportunity to serve our Lord.

SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK ARE FOR:

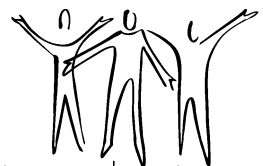
Karianna Jinguji, Patricia Stricker, Derek Mohr, Fred Pierce, and Helen Gookin (Kathleen Ford's mother).

RECEIVING THE BLESSINGS of Holy Baptism at the Saturday service is Emma Noelle Shaw. Emma was born on December 19, 2017, in Billings to Tristyn & Jennifer Shaw. We welcome 'baby Emma' into God's family here at Trinity and pray the Holy Spirit will continue lead her and her family into a life of love and service to our Lord Jesus Christ unto life everlasting.

WE ARE BLESSED TO WELCOME the following new members to the Trinity family through transfer, adult confirmation or affirmation of faith in the last few months:

Derek Berube
John & Caroline Boll
Robert & Judy Drinkwalter
Deja Feedback
Ronda Gale
Jeff Hall
Peter & Renee Hofacker
Tom & Marge Hunt
Tammie Kesler
Molly Lundby
Hazel Moore
JoAnn Ostermiller
Kevin & Tamara Roche
Robert Weathermon
Brandon & Arica Wendland

It is our prayer that we will be able to help them continue to grow in their relationship with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, as we serve Him together at Trinity.



New Members Are Joining

BUTTER BRAIDS ARE BACK!

From **February 4 - March 11**, Trinity's youth will be selling Butter Braids in preparation for the next Youth Gathering in summer of 2019. Stop by and see us in the Fellowship hall on the weekends after worship services or on Wednesdays during Lenten dinners. Butter Braids will be delivered to church on Thursday, March 22, in the late afternoon. Consider supporting the Manitoba Mission trip by purchasing a Butter Braid or two to be sent along with the mission team! Thank you!!

NEW CHURCH DIRECTORIES - If you had your picture taken (or submitted a picture) for the Church Directory, your copy can be found in the Fellowship Hall – on the tables with the 2018 offering envelopes. Please pick up your copy when you get a chance. And if you didn't have a picture taken or submit one and would like a directory, we do have some extra copies in the church office you can get for \$5. *(If you don't have your name on a copy in the boxes in the Fellowship Hall and you did get your picture taken or submit one, please let Connie know in the church office, and we'll fix that!)*

FINANCES & FIRST-FRUIT'S GIVING

Budgeted Church/School Income (Year to Date)	\$ 1,047,423
Actual Church/School Income (7/1/17-1/21/18)	\$ 994,738
Actual Church/School Expenses (7/1/17-1/21/18)	\$ 901,982
A difference of :	\$ 92,756
Budgeted Offering Target (Through Dec. 2017)	\$ 491,772
Actual Offering (Through December 2017)	\$ 489,738
A difference of:	\$ -2,034
January Target Offering	\$ 64,604
Needed Per Week	\$ 16,151
Actual Offerings in January (3 of 4 weeks)	\$ 48,703
Expansion Offering (January 20 & 21, 2018)	\$ 1,080
YTD Expansion Offering (July 1-Jan. 21)	\$ 38,075

Last Week's Attendance – January 20 & 21, 2018

Saturday Worship Service	101
Sunday Worship Services	285
Total Attendance Last Week	386
Sunday School	49
Adult Bible Classes	98

Offering Counters for January 28th:

Susan Loomans, Roxy Klundt & Cheryl Wagenman

Offering Counters for February 4th:

Sherrie Murray, Deb White & Amy King

PRAYERS FOR CROSS LAKE - Thank you for all of your prayers and involvement in the Manitoba

Mission Winter Trip! The Hope Notes were a huge blessing to the people of Cross Lake, as were the other gifts and goodies that you sent with love. The team had a great visit and brought back a number of prayer requests. Please grab a prayer sheet on your way out of church and add our Cross Lake friends to your prayers this week!

2017 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS ARE READY! Please grab your 2017 contribution statement in the narthex before you leave today. Statements will be available this weekend and next weekend. Any remaining after January 28 will be mailed out.

THANK YOU! The Altar Guild wants to thank the Property Board for the new floor in the Sacristy. It is beautiful and so easy to clean up spills. Thanks to Wayne Klundt for donating the flooring for the project.

THE 2018 FLOWER CHART is hanging in the Narthex...with lots of blank spaces. The cost for flowers is \$20.00, and checks should be given to the Altar Guild – **made payable to Gainans**. To help the Altar Guild with their bookkeeping duties and to keep our account at Gainans current, **we are asking you to pay for your flowers when you sign up**. There is an envelope available for you to put your payment in. Please fill out the info on the front of the envelope and place it in the box marked 'Flowers.' Thanks!

MONTANA DISTRICT CONVENTION – The district convention will be held at Trinity Lutheran School in Billings, and our congregation will be electing a lay delegate at the brief **Voters' Meeting and Bible Study at 9:30am this Sunday, January 28th**. You will also have the opportunity to nominate a District President and Vice President.

BE A BLESSING – BE A JUDGE! On February 15-17, the National Christian Forensics & Communications Association Region III Tournament will once again be in Billings. High School students from the Rocky Mountain region will be displaying their tremendous speech and debate skills, but they need your help. Please consider signing up to be a judge at the tournament, which will be held at Billings Christian School. **It is easy, it is fun and it requires no previous experience.** All you have to give is 3 hours of your time! If you would like to be a judge, please contact Sandra Hamilton at 208-7286 or MTJudges@gmail.com.